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before Senate Appropriations'
Defense Subcommittee, 14 Mar 79

Subject: Iran/Korea/Vietnam

Transition - activist

Recognition limits

Not to say withdrawing

Can not

Re-emergence from post-VN

aversion to intervention

More judicious - choices not easy

Whom to support

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Cambodia

Not monolithic communism

And not irreversible

Indo Sudan Egypt

If do decide intervene - recognize

# hazards

1. Visibility

International comms

- 2. Pol pressure resisted
- 3. Mil dynamic against

Means anticipate - not react

Long term influence

Understand underlying factors

Broader collection

Different analyses

## YEMEN

Ismail - N Yemeni

Radical Marxist

NDF

Religious split

Saudi role

Less pop than Yemen

June - assassination N. Yemen leader

Salih - unknown - weak mil man

Week before last - rebels in position where might cut comm to

S. N. Yemen

Arab force ?

Iraq, Syria disturbed

Overall concern Sov infl in area

Saudis, too

Little mil action last few days

No hard data Sov/Cuban/Eth involvement

Sov - certainly supplied equipment

Sov/Cuban - Training

Cuban - involvement ?

Negotiations quite possible

Salih step down

Possibly Iraqi backed

Baathists or other non-communist leftists

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Saudi turf

Appeared ineffective

Mil

Dipl

Iraqi gain

## **AFGHAN**

Continual fighting in country

Taraki - control cities

Ruthless - purges

Coup attempt yesterday 
Dissident communist branch

Pak based Muslim dissidents

Holy war - ?

## IRAN

Immediate danger

Polarization -

Secular - Bazargan leaders

Religious extremists

Khomeini move to Qom has placed him more under infl of extremists Khomeini no pol/econ plan or capability

Up to Bazargan - 3 challenges

- 1. Success oil workers 2.5 bb1/da
- ? Dissolving Revolutionary Councils Uncertain
- Organize some viable army Collapse SAVAK Collapse Army

Left vulnerable

- To tribal and ethnic divisiveness
- To left

Ample leftist forces

5 + groups

Lots arms

Organization

Danger -

Secular elements, e.g., women, anti-Islamic law, referendum, education policy, etc. will turn to left as only recourse Approved For Release 2001/08/14: CIA-RDP80B01554R003000010001-1

Soviet Role

Minimal in fall of Shah trying to capitalize

Two track policy

relations with regime

avoid provoking West; but

support for opposition--Tudeh

no hurry to see current chaotic situation ended

Critical of US role

Intensified propaganda

Indirect support for training of Iranians

**Palestinians** 

Libyans

South Yemenis

Regional CPs

Moscow - 1 April

CHINA - VN

Xmas only small Chinese border forces

14 Feb buildup 8 armies -

Warning memo

17 Feb attack

5 Mar withdrawal

400,000 men and 2 armies in reserve

600-700 aircraft

Thin, small unit attack, 1300 km

25-50 km penetrations

Appears balance

"Punish" - Show China not permit VN intrude Camb -Show Sov Treaty Nov not helpful

Not force Sov reaction

Deng appears be winning

Domestically - claim victory

Internationally

VN withdrawing forces Camb - 30,000

Sov not react other than logistics

Significant defeat at Lang Son

Long run?

Greater Sov role

Perception of PRC

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Kampucheans continue stiff resistance

Throughout the country - SW

VN re-supply effort hampered

Quick VN thrust took major towns

Kampuchean forces

Pol Pot - Battambang

16 of 31 VN combat divisions tied down

Hanoi now withdrawing equipment

artillery

anti-tank weapons

Kampuchean forces regrouping - division-size combat units

Chinese getting supplies to Kampucheans via Thailand

Rainy season - July-Aug

Pol Pot regime resented by Kampuchean people

No change in Pol Pot

Sihanouk in Peking

Chinese may use him

Sihanouk refusing to work with Pol Pot

X1A

k1D

I --4 Jan

II 23 Feb (2 Feb)

Orderly - believe protected sensitive equipment

Three uses:

ICBM TM

ABM treaty monitoring

ABM R&D

Alternatives - TM

Back into Iran

Other locations

Aircraft

Satellites

Better analysis

Each tech/pol risks

Short term unlikely do as well

NY TIMES story on SS-18

TM not in hand until 27 Feb

SALT not limit to 10

Not greater than set date

Sov Fall back on simulated ?

**KOREA** 

Army findings Spring '78

DIA/CIA Tasking

Still differences

32 - 37 - 41

Difficult

Concentration on warning
Units dispersed
Added ones back

Chart

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Equipment increases tipped off

Not sudden - 8 years

NK posit better than estimated 18 mo. ago

Talks -

PRC - US Normalization 80 NK Pilots - Libya Sov reopening?